



17 May 2007

Dear Colleagues

A draft program for the Research Week-end (8 and 9 June 2007) follows.

Friday 8 June 2007

- * Afternoon: Arrival in Bloemfontein.
- * 16:00 **Guided tour of the Supreme Court of Appeal**
- * 18:00 **Informal get-together**
 - Venue: Centenary Complex
Main campus of the UFS
 - *Genuine "Vrystaat Braaivleis" on the menu!*
 - *Wine and cooldrink will be served, and a cash bar is available for alcoholic beverages*
- 18:15 Brief overview of research position in each faculty by the Deans of Rhodes, UNW and the UFS respectively (approx 15 minutes per Faculty).

Saturday 9 June 2007

Please note: All activities will take place at the Faculty of Law, CR Swart Building, UFS.

- * 08:30 Delegates arrive
- * 08:45 Introduction of Keynote speaker
- * 09:00 Keynote address
- * 09:50 Comfort break

- * 10:00 Prof Christa Rautenbach: “The internationalization and promotion of research at the UNW”
- * 10:40 Tea / Coffee
- * 11:00 **Plenary session 1:** “Contemporary focal points regarding legal research” (Chair: Prof Rob Midgley: Rhodes University)
[See point 1 under “general information” below]
- * 13:00 Lunch
- * 14:00 **Plenary session 2:** “Collaboration between the UFS, Rhodes and UNW” (Chair: Prof Johan Henning: UFS)
[See point 2 under “general information” below]
- * 15:15 Tea
- * 15:30 Summation by Deans
- * 16:00 Closing

* 18:30 for 19:00 **Semi-formal dinner function**

Venue: Centenary Complex, UFS

Guest speaker: The Honourable Mr Justice FDJ Brand, Judge of the Supreme Court of Appeal

Sunday 10 June 2007

Departure

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. PLENARY SESSION 1: “Contemporary focal points regarding legal research”

Agenda:

1. Introduction: Prof Rob Midgley

2. Agenda:

(Each item will briefly be introduced for 5-10 minutes, followed by a general discussion of each item for approximately 20 minutes)

- 2.1 NRF Funding and grading (Introduction: Prof Charles Ngwena – UFS);
- 2.2 Young researchers (Introduction: Dr Graham Glover: Rhodes University);
- 2.3 Empirical research in a legal context (Introduction: Mr Brand Claassen: UFS).
- 2.4 Ethics in research (Introduction: Prof E Snyman-van Deventer: UFS).

2. PLENARY SESSION 2: “Collaboration between the UFS, Rhodes and UNW”

1. Introduction: Prof Johan Henning

2. Agenda:

- 2.1 Feasibility of Collaboration
- 2.2 Suggestions: Collaborative topics
- 2.3 Splitting up into groups in order to discuss each topic

3. FEEDBACK AND SUGGESTIONS

Please forward any comments, feedback or suggestions to any of the following persons:

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4. RSVP

Faculties should please RSVP by **1 June 2007**. Please also provide information concerning **specific dietary requirements** (vegetarian, halaal, etc).

We look forward to seeing you in Bloem!

Kind regards,

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